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SUBJ: FY-1976 INTERNATIONAL VISITOR PROGRAM

REF: STATE 224976 AND MADRID 6461

1. SANCHEZ DE LEON DEPARTS MADRID OCTOBER 15 VIA TWA 903, ARRIVING NEW YORK 1605, TRANSFERRING TO NA 403, ARRIVING WASHINGTON NATIONAL AIRPORT 1857.

2. DUE MID-NOVEMBER OBLIGATIONS IN PARLIAMENT, SANCHEZ DE LEON ASKS THAT PROGRAM RUN FROM OCTOBER 16 TO NOV 8.

3. FORTY ONE YEARS OLD, SANCHEZ DE LEON IS ACTIVE YOUNG POLITICAL FIGURE WHO HAS HELD TOP GOVERNMENT POSITIONS; IN HIS EARLY THIRTIES HELD TECHNICAL SECRETARY GENERALSHIP IN LABOR MINISTRY. RECENTLY HE HAS BEEN INFLUENTIAL IN TRYING TO OPEN UP OR LIBERALIZE GOVERNMENT POLICIES TOWARD DEMOCRATIC PROCESSES. IN ANY FUTURE MINISTERIAL SHIFT, HE COULD EASILY BE CONSIDERED FOR TOP MINISTERIAL POSITIONS. CURRENTLY WORKING CLOSELY WITH JOSE MIGUEL ORTI BORDAS, AND OTHER PARLIAMENT MEMBERS, IN FORMATION OF POLITICAL ASSOCIATION.

4. SANCHEZ DE LEON PROGRAM SHOULD FOCUS ON STUDY OF U.S. POLITICAL SYSTEM, ESPECIALLY ROLE OF LOBBYISTS AND PRESSURE GROUPS; RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN GOVERNMENT AGENCIES AND POLITICAL PARTIES; AND U.S. LABOR SITUATION AS VIEWED
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AND HANDLED BY USG. THUS ASKS TO VISIT CONGRESS, POLITICAL

PARTY LEADERS, LABOR MEDIATION AGENCIES, AND USG LABOR
PEOPLE. ROLE AND FUNCTION OF POLITICAL PARTIES AND PRESSURE
GROUPS AT FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL LEVEL OF PARTICULAR INTEREST.

5. PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS FOLLOWS:

SEVEN DAYS: WASHINGTON, D.C. TO ARRANGE PROGRAM AND MEET WITH
APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS AND AGENCIES.

THREE DAYS: BOSTON, TO VISIT LOCAL POLITICIANS AND EXAMINE
TRADE UNION PROGRAM AT HARVARD UNIVERSITY.

THREE DAYS: DETROIT, TO OBSERVE AUTO INDUSTRY AND LABOR
ORGANIZATIONS, LOCAL POLITICAL GROUPS AND CENTRAL VALLEY
LABOR SCENE (WHICH, IN SOME WAYS, SIMILAR TO BADAJOZ AGRI-
CULTURAL ZONE WHICH HE REPRESENTS IN SPANISH PARLIAMENT).

FOUR DAYS: NEW YORK, TO STUDY NEW YORK AS MICROCOSM OF U.S.
POLITICAL AND LABOR SITUATION.

TWO DAYS: SACRAMENTO OR LOS ANGELES TO STUDY STATE SYSTEM
OF UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION.

6. BIO DATA FOLLOWS:

FULL NAME: ENRIQUE SANCHEZ DE LEON PEREZ

PLACE AND DATE OF BIRTH: BADAJOZ, SPAIN, JUNE 9, 1934

CITIZENSHIP: SPANISH

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MADRID 6.

ACADEMIC TRAINING:

GRADUATE OF LAW
INSPECTOR TECNICO DE TRABAJO (LABOR TECHNICAL AUDITOR)
INSTRUCTOR NATIONAL COMMISSION OF INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTIVITY.
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YOUTH SILVER MEDAL
GOLD MEDAL OF THE SERVICIO ESPANOL DEL MAGISTERIO
ORDER OF ALFONSO THE WISE

PRESENT POSITION: DIRECTOR OF THE MUTUALIDAD LABORAL
DE TRANSPORTES

GENERAL SECRETARY OF "UNION INDUSTRIAL BANCARIA"

NATIONAL COUNSELOR AND PROCURADOR IN CORTES (PARLIAMENT)

SIGNIFICANT PAST POSITIONS:

PROVINCIAL DELEGATE OF LABOR IN ORENSE, MALAGA, AND
GUIPUZCOA

PROVINCIAL DELEGATE OF EDUCATION AND SCIENCE IN MADRID
GENERAL TECHNICAL SECRETARY OF THE LABOR MINISTRY
PRESIDENT OF THE PONENCIA TRABAJO PLAN DE DESARROLLO
LABOR MINISTRY REPRESENTATIVE IN THE O.C.D.E.

TRAVELS ABROAD:

THOSE RELATED TO THE NEGOTIATING COMMISSION WITH THE EUROPEAN
ECONOMIC COMMUNITY AND AS A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE LABOR MINISTRY
IN THE O.C.D.E.

LANGUAGES: FAIR ENGLISH (SPEAKING POOR) FAIR FRENCH

HOBBIES: SPORTS; FINE ARTS

7. SUGGEST AS ALTERNATES: PEDRO DE VEGA OR CRISANTO PLAZA,
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